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DETROIT

## McKenzie Bros.

E. SUPERIOR ST.

Agents for

## Witters' Laundry

Saginaw

Basket shipped Tuesday p. m., returned Friday p. m.

## WORKING MEN NOTICE

You will soon need work shoes. We want you to see the new line we have ready for your inspection.

## All Styles

Dependable quality at lowest possible prices

## Economy Shoe Store

"The Home of Good Shoes"

## The Idlehour

Where Every Show is a Good Show

FRIDAY  
MRS. VERNON CASTLE  
— IN —

## "Patria"

Also

MARY PICKFORD

— IN —

"Such a Little Queen"

Continuous show all afternoon and evening, starting at 2:30.

SATURDAY

MAE MARSH

— IN —

A five-act Western drama

"The Wild Girl of the Sierras"

Also two-reel Keystone Comedy

SUNDAY

EDITH STOREY

— IN —

A Vitaphone Blue Ribbon feature

"The Two-edged Sword"

Also an Adventure of

"Grant, Police Reporter"

MONDAY  
TYRONE POWER  
— IN —

## "Aristocracy"

Also Chapter 12 of

"Liberty"

— IN —

JOHN BARRYMORE

— IN —

"The Lost Bridegroom"

Don't miss this one

— IN —

WEDNESDAY

EXTRAORDINARY

DOUBLE FEATURE

Wm. S. Hart

The greatest Western Character

actor in the world, in

"The Apostle of Vengeance"

Also

"Fatty" Arbuckle

— IN —

"The Waiters' Ball"

Coming Soon!

The Magnificent Special Feature

## 'The Witching Hour'

## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

"Patria"—Idlehour Friday.  
Attorney James Greene is in Stanton today on legal business.  
John Parrish was in Detroit on business the fore part of the week.  
Fred Derushia of the Little Rock coal company is in Alma on business today.

George W. Abbott has sold his residence on Woodworth avenue to Mrs. P. Smith.

Mrs. C. W. Vining of Lakeview is spending the week in Alma, a guest of friends.

Chester K. Robinson spent the week end in Plainwell, a guest at the home of his parents.

W. G. Griffin, Henry McNamara and M. L. Perrigo went to Saginaw on business today.

The usual supply of good baked goods on hand at the Model Bakery, baked fresh every day.—Adv.

The Arcadia Ladies' Aid society will hold its next meeting at the Grange hall, on Thursday, March 15th.

D. Brown of Breckenridge, a former Alma business man, was in the city on business on Tuesday of this week.

Parcel post carrier, Ernest Fuller, has secured a new Ford, in order to more rapidly cover his territory in Alma.

Wm. S. Hart—Idlehour Wednesday.  
Dr. E. G. Shayer, osteopathic physician, Vermilion block. Both phones.—Adv.

The republican ward caucus will be held Friday night in each of the various wards. Call will be found elsewhere in this issue.

All the new millinery creations will be found at Minor & Bennett's spring opening, Thursday and Friday, March 15th and 16th.—Adv.

The Presbyterian church will meet Tuesday afternoon, March 13th, at the home of Mrs. William H. Mason, 528 State street.

Harlow Rayercraft, who is attending Ferris Institute at Big Rapids, spent the week end in Alma, visiting with relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. H. Ostrander and two children of Houghton Lake are visiting at the home of Mrs. Ostrander's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Day.

James McManus of St. Johns, North Dakota, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Cash and family, has returned home.

The republican city convention will meet Monday evening, March 12th, in the city hall to nominate the candidates for the city offices.

John Gaffney was a Saginaw visitor on Wednesday of this week. While in Saginaw Mr. Gaffney attended the Saginaw automobile show.

The fire department was called to the Arcadia Hotel Wednesday afternoon by an alarm. The fire was out before the department arrived on the scene.

W. E. Summerville, advertising manager of the Republic Motor Truck Company, Inc., was in Detroit on business on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

The democrats of the city of Alma will meet in a city mass convention in the city hall Saturday evening, for the purpose of nominating city and ward tickets.

W. C. Roentgen is in Detroit on business and from there he will go to St. Charles, Iowa, on business connected with the Western Carburator company of this city.

The Alma lodge I. O. O. F. number 238, will confer the initiatory degree on a class of ten candidates Monday evening, March 12th. Big feed. Visiting members are welcome.

He said, "You should have seen the people that called for our rooms, which we advertised in the Alma Record want column." Another man knows that Record want ads pay.

Bought and sold; second hand goods of all kinds at White & Carpenter's second hand store, West Superior street. Successors to L. A. White.

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The Parent-Teachers' club will meet Friday, March 16th, in the Junior high school. Rev. William H. Mason will speak on "The Girl in Her Teens." All parents are invited to be present at the meeting.

Major L. Dunham was re-elected judge of the superior court of Grand Rapids yesterday for a six-year term. Mr. Dunham, who is well known in this city, is a son of the late Judge John Dunham of Alma.

Clyde H. Christopher, aged 46 years, a resident of the Michigan Masonic Home here, died on Saturday, March 3rd. The body was shipped to Lansing for burial. Christopher was formerly a grocer in Lansing.

Have you something to sell, or trade, something that you want to buy, some rooms to rent, or are you looking for rooms. The Record want ads will solve your problem. Cost but little, yet do big things.

An important meeting of the Alma Bird club for the planning of spring work will be held in the First State Bank, Wednesday evening, March 14th, at 7:00 p. m. Everyone interested in birds is urged to be present.

The regular meeting of the Francis Willard Union will be held March 14th, at 2:30 p. m., at the home of Mrs. H. N. Allen, 420 State street. The subject of public amusements will be discussed, and it is hoped that the meeting will be well attended.

Duncan McPhaul has sold his interest in the firm of McPhaul Brothers, barbers, to Mr. Rowe of Cedar Springs, a barber of several years experience. Reports have it that Duncan McPhaul will try out his fortunes on the race track this coming year.

A fine stag progressive pedro party was held in Genesta Hall on Tuesday evening of this week. About eighty were present and enjoyed a splendid evening. Light refreshments were served. Twelve of the business men of the city were the entertainers on this occasion.

The Alma college basketball team finishes the basketball season tonight with its scheduled game with the Michigan State Normal at Ypsilanti. The Normal has a strong team, which has been defeated just once this season, and the locals will have a hard job on their hands to pull a victory out of the fire, it is expected.

The Women's club of Alma was represented at the meeting of the federated clubs of the congressional district at Saginaw last week. A fine program had been prepared. Many clubs reported and such a feast of music was given that those who were forced to take the early evening train missed the most of the instructions given by the state president, Mrs. Florence Redson of Jackson. However, the entertainment was very enjoyable.

Stockholders of the Western Carburator company of this city are highly elated over reports that offers have been made for this stock at more than its par value. It is reported on good authority that one holder of this stock in Alma, was offered \$15.00 per share for his \$10.00 shares last week. The probable reasons for this is the fact that the carburators now in use in Alma are proving a success, and because of the large number of orders which have come in for carburators.

L. Mitchell of the Ford garage returned Wednesday from Champaign and Urbana, Illinois, where he joined his brother and exhibited the Western Kerosene carburator at the big auto show held there last week. Mr. Mitchell says the interest in the carburator was intense and that he met people who are using them in that territory with great satisfaction. He could have looked orders for more than a hundred carburators had he been sure of getting them, but considering the fact that so many orders were already booked for this year's delivery, it was thought best to not borrow any trouble by promising carburators and not being able to deliver them.

## AFTER BOOZY DRUGS

State Senator Damon Introduces a Bill to Kill King Alcohol.

Senator John A. Damon of this district has introduced a bill in the state legislature that looks like the bone-dry bill that has been looked for, and it is probable that it is the one that will be adopted by the present legislature.

Damon's bill hands it to the alcoholic patent medicines, etc., along with the straight booze. Under the provisions of the Damon bill it would be illegal for any person in Michigan to "bring, carry, transport into, or possess within this state" any liquor, except for five purposes, namely, medicinal, mechanical, chemical, scientific and sacramental purposes. The term liquor, under this bill, would include many forms of patent medicines which are now said to be in great demand in the dry counties of the state.

On patent medicines the bill says, "The phrase intoxicating liquor, wherever used in this act, shall be held and construed to include any vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, or spirituous liquors, and every other liquid containing intoxicating properties, which is capable of being used as a beverage, whether medicated or not, and all liquids whether proprietary, patented or not, which contain any alcohol and are capable of being used as a beverage, and all mixtures, compounds or preparations whether liquid or not, which are intended, when mixed with water or otherwise, to produce, by fermentation or otherwise, an intoxicating liquor."

Under the Damon act, all search and seizure laws are to be continued, and under it if any person should be found to have liquor in his possession, it would be up to him to show that it was for one of the five purposes above mentioned, or he would be a law violator. Under the act any person who gives testimony regarding any violation will be exempt from prosecution.

## START PRACTICE

Base Ball Practice Under Way at Alma College.

With the close of the basketball season, Coach Harry Helmer is planning on getting his base ball candidates all out for daily workouts in the Alma college gymnasium, and is in hopes of being able to round out a good team to represent the Maroon and Cream this year.

The Alma Mentor will have ten veterans to start the year with, men who have played for the most part, more than one year of college base ball, and are fairly capable players. Among this list is the trio of twirlers that has held sway for the past two seasons, Captain Depew, Johnston and French. Depew and Johnston are southpaw artists and French a right hander.

Coach Helmer is in hopes of being able to find a few budding stars among the freshmen, who will be able to patch up the couple vacant positions on the team and possibly to strengthen a couple of other positions on the nine.

Rumor says that when the practice gets well under way that Helmer will be able to locate a number of classy men among the freshmen, who will make strong bids for the team, and some even go so far as to predict that Alma college will have one of the best base ball teams in years.

Helmer will work this year to keep his pitchers in the best of shape. Last season the team gave the pitchers a number of runs, but inability to keep the opposing teams from battering the Alma twirlers kept Alma from winning a number of games. Alma resembled the Detroit Tigers in this respect. Heavy hitting doesn't always count, when pitchers are not in shape to pitch the best kind of base ball, and this will be the brand that Helmer will insist upon.

## BUSY NIGHT FOR DR. CARNEY

Dr. Thomas Carney of Alma, assisted by Dr. E. J. Carney of Durand, performed five minor and two major surgical operations one night last week. Mrs. William Labb, living north of town, submitted to an abdominal operation, and C. B. Crawford was operated upon for appendicitis. Both patients are getting along nicely.—Durand Express.

"Patria"—Idlehour Friday.

## GOOD MEETINGS

Meeting Closed at the Church of Christ with Great Success.

The Raum and Sommons evangelistic meeting closed at the Church of Christ Sunday evening. Eighty-six people have started the Christian life as a result of their meeting. The church has been greatly benefited both spiritually and financially, the entire church debt was wiped out during the campaign.

The Bible school has grown in size and the congregation feels this department of the church work is a good evidence of growth and interest.

The prospects are that J. S. Raum will begin a regular pastorate for the Church of Christ the first of May.

The evangelistic company begin a meeting in Thompson, Illinois, March 11th.

## ORATORICAL CONTEST

The annual Michigan intercollegiate oratorical contest, which was held at Hope college, Holland, Michigan, last Friday evening, and Alma college, represented in both the men's and ladies' contests, was forced to go without a place. Thomas W. Wright represented Alma college in the men's contest with the oration, "The Delay of the Law," and was accorded fourth ranking; it is said. Miss Adelaide Ballou, representing Alma in the ladies' contest with the oration, "The Irrepressible Savage," was given fifth ranking.

Irwin Lubbers of Hope college won first honors in the men's contest with the oration, "America's Declaration of Independence." Albion won second honors and Kalamazoo third. In the ladies' contest with the oration, "The Silver Lining," with Hope and the Michigan State Normal taking second and third honors.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

List of marriage licenses for the week ending March 3, 1917:

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| John Storey, Wheeler          | 29 |
| Della Baird, Wheeler          | 19 |
| John Jordan, Indiana          | 23 |
| Ida Painter, St. Louis        | 19 |
| Roscoe Simmons, Emerson       | 21 |
| Mamie Cassidy, North Star     | 21 |
| William E. Moody, Forest Hill | 27 |
| Agnes Montague, Kalamazoo     | 21 |

## \$1,000 INVESTED IN ORIGINAL CAPITALIZATION

| N. of S.             | Inv.    | Ret.      |
|----------------------|---------|-----------|
| Western Union Tel.   | \$1,000 | \$150,000 |
| National Cash Reg.   | \$1,000 | \$428,700 |
| Mergenthaler L. type | \$1,000 | \$250,000 |
| Bell Telephone       | \$1,000 | \$540,000 |
| Reo Motors           | \$1,000 | \$119,500 |
| Saxon Motors         | \$1,000 | \$10,000  |
| Hupp Motors          | \$1,000 | \$165,000 |
| Willys-Overland      | \$1,000 | \$330,000 |

One thousand shares to be sold in sixty days for the Wayne Tractor company, reliable data concerning the investment. Write for information. Write all inquiry to Wayne Tractor Co., care of Alma Record. (81-11-p)

## ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Alma Home & Improvement association for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting, will be held in the City Hall, Tuesday, March 13th, at 7:30 p. m. It is desired that all members of the association be present at this meeting.  
ALBERT P. COOK, Sec'y.  
(80-21-c)

## Gray & Gray Lunch Room

Quality starts with our doughnuts and coffee, and can be found in all our lunches and meals.

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Alma, Michigan

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For One Week Only  
Commencing Saturday

|   |     |
|---|-----|
| Swift's Cream   | 25c |
| Marigold  | 25c |
| 2-lb. Roll of Lily Leaf   | 40c |
| Try our White Goods. We give you the coloring, 2-lb. Rolls, Silverchurn for | 50c |
| Best ever   | 50c |

## Brewer's Market

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ALMA, MICHIGAN

## ADVANCE

## Spring Styles

— in —

Stetson Hats, Hawes Hats  
Walk-Over Shoes  
Fancy Shirts

New Spring Style  
Young Men's Suits  
advancing daily

## MESSINGER'S

MEN'S STORE  
Opposite Wright House

## Of Interest to You

The increase in our business has made it necessary for us to employ a watchmaker.

We have secured the services of Mr. Chick L. Chase, who for some time past has had full charge of the repair department in one of the large stores in Saginaw.

Mr. Chase is also an expert engraver and can do any kind of monogram work, including the new diamond monograms.

We can now offer the best of service in every department, and you may feel assured that your watch will have the most careful attention and will be repaired more promptly than in the past.

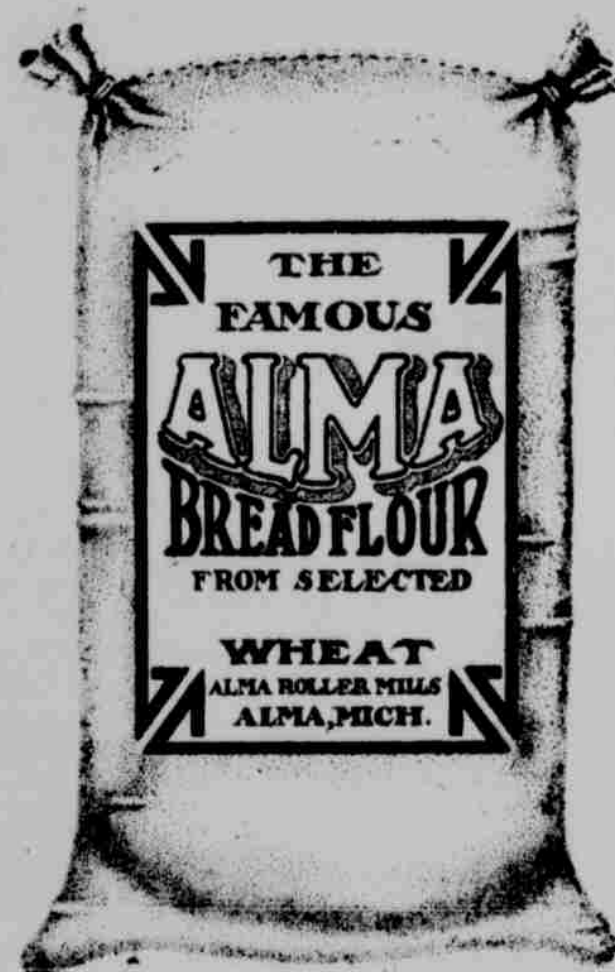
We also have a modern equipped optical department where satisfaction is guaranteed, and a well selected line of dependable jewelry at honest prices.

A visit to our store will convince you that we "grow with Alma."

## J. E. CONVERSE

Optometrist

Jeweler



## Mr. Farmer

It is time you were thinking of Seeds. We are carrying a full stock at this time and can assure you we have procured the best that money can buy.

## Alma Roller Mills

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